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## THE 20TH WORLD'S CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION

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When Endeavorers from around the world gather in Seoul, Korea, August 6-9, 1986, for the 20th World's Christian Endeavor Convention, the theme will be "Jesus... the Light of the World," based on John 8:12. This is related to the quadrennial theme for the World's Union 1986-1990.

Daytime sessions will be held in Chang-Chun Presbyterian Church with the evening sessions at the Chang-Chun Gymnasium. Headquarters is at the Ambassador Hotel, where many of the overseas delegates will be housed. The National Theater will be the site for the Prayer Service and the Cultural Festival.

At the public mass meetings it is anticipated there will be a 1,000 voice choir, with a total attendance of 7,000-8,000.

Delegates will be housed in various hotels, hostels, and homes with the Ambassador Hotel serving as headquarters. Meals will be taken at the site where each delegate is housed.

Dr. Jack R. Rothenberger of Skip-pack, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., Presi-

dent of the International Society, will be the leader for the Pre-Convention Prayer Service on opening day with Rev. David G. Jackson, General Secretary of the World's Union, presiding.

President James Murdoch will call the convention to order at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday night.

Dr. Clyde W. Meadows of Columbus, Ohio, U.S.A. is the keynote speaker. Dr. Meadows was President of the World's Union 1962-74 and continues as Honorary President for Life.

Speakers for other evening sessions include Rev. Kim Chang-In, Minister of the Chung-Hyeon Presbyterian Church, Seoul, Korea, who will speak Thursday evening, and Rev. Arno Pagel of Kalbental, Western Germany, President of the World's Union 1974-82 and Honorary President for Life, speaking Friday night.

At the great closing session Saturday morning at 10:30, Rev. James Murdoch of Killin, Scotland, will preside and will give the communion meditation as well as install the newly-elected officers. The new

president for the 1986-90 quadrennium will then address the convention delegates.

Each day Thursday through Saturday begins with the Dawn Prayer Service at 6 a.m. This will include the traditional personal quiet hour period.

After breakfast there will be a Bible Study. Themes will be: Thursday, "Knowing the Light—By the Essentials of Faith"; Friday, "Spreading the Light—By Sharing the Faith"; and Saturday, "Enjoying the Light—By Living the Faith."

There will be three Bible Study groups with English-speaking leaders:

1. Presiding, George Campbell of England, with Rev. Murray Chambers of Australia as teacher.
2. Presiding, P. A. R. Chesterton of Australia, with Bidyut K. Pramanik of India as teacher.
3. Presiding, Joel S. Delvis of India, with Dr. Clyde W. Meadows of U.S.A. as teacher.

For the Japanese-speaking delegates there will be a special group with Rev. Masaru Takahashi presid-



The Emblem at the left, which is the official monogram for the Korean Christian Endeavor Union, features the Latin words, "Cor Meum Tibi, Offero Domine," which translated means "Lord, I offer my heart to Thee."

The Convention Emblem at the right is of interest because it features the divided circle, an ancient symbol of the universe originating in China. The circle is divided equally and locked in perfect balance; it represents the two opposites which express the dualism of the cosmos: fire and water, day and night, dark and light, construction and destruction, etc.

The central thought is that while there is constant movement within the sphere of infinity, there is also balance and harmony.





ing and Rev. Takashi Oku as teacher.

German-speaking delegates will meet in two groups with different presiders and teachers each day. Presiders Thursday are Rev. Geurt van Viegen, Netherlands, and Rev. Burkhard Weber, Germany, with Rev. Christoffer Pfeiffer and Rev. Lothar Velten of Germany teaching. Friday presiders will be Rev. Lothar Velten and Rev. Burkhard Weber, with Rev. Walter Lohrey, Germany, and Rev. Geurt van Viegen teaching. Saturday's presiders are Rev. Manfred Nonnemann of Germany and Rev. Lothar Velten, with Rev. Konrad Brandt of Taiwan and Rev. Burkhard Weber speaking.

There will also be four Bible Study groups for Korean delegates.

On Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:30 to 12 noon there will be a Worldwide Fellowship led

by Rev. Konrad Brandt, formerly of Germany, now working for the Marburg Mission in Taiwan. This is a time for singing, information, national presentations, and inspiration.

There will be a number of special activities during the convention. One will be the Korean Folk Festival on Thursday afternoon at the National Theater. Delegates always enjoy these colorful programs depicting the cultural and artistic aspects of the host country. There will be opportunities for sightseeing in and around Seoul and for a visit to the DMZ (demilitarized zone) on Friday afternoon. Korean delegates will be in charge of special exercise periods in the early morning and of recreation and sightseeing in the afternoons, along with street meetings.

For members of the official

bodies there will be meetings during the convention days. The Board of Trustees will meet Wednesday morning and afternoon with the Finance Committee meeting over the lunch hour.

The World's Union Council (Corporation) will meet Thursday and Friday afternoons. This is the highest authority in the World's Union and there will be much business to transact. An important item of business will be the election of World's Union officers, Executive Committee, Board of Trustees, and Honorary Trustees for the 1986-90 quadrennium. President James Murdoch has announced his desire not to stand for reelection to the office of president, which he has held since 1982, so his successor will be named by the Council.

The Area II Council will also meet during the sessions.

Korean Endeavorers led by Yong-Kee Paik and Joon Won Kang have been busy for many months preparing to welcome Endeavorers to Korea. A number of convention items have been prepared, such as metal plaques, colorful ties, posters, etc., and have been used to promote the convention.

It is reported that there are over 600,000 Christian Endeavorers in the Korean Union, which is headed by Byung Hun Jo, President. The union has established an office in the General Assembly Building in Seoul.

An unusual feature of the week will be a post-convention Prayer and Praise Service Saturday night in which various delegates will participate.

It is anticipated that at least 30 countries will be represented. On Sunday morning following the convention, delegates will worship at various local churches.

## TWENTIETH World's Christian Endeavor Convention OFFICIAL CALL

TO CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS IN EVERY LAND

### Greetings:

THE WORLD'S CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION AND THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS OF KOREA invite the Christian Endeavorers from all lands to attend the Twentieth World's Christian Endeavor Convention to be held in Seoul, Korea, August 6-9, 1986.

¶ The convention will be the first held in the Far East where the most rapid growth of Christian Endeavor has occurred in the past ten years. It will be held in the city known for its largest Christian gatherings since Pentecost.

¶ The convention theme will be "JESUS . . . THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD" (John 8:12).

¶ The convention program will include inspirational meetings and all phases of Christian Endeavor testimony, organization, evangelism, fellowship, and service.

¶ The officers and Endeavorers of Korea cordially invite us in the name of our common Lord, and they open to us their hearts and homes.

¶ Further particulars may be had from Rev. David G. Jackson, General Secretary, World's Christian Endeavor Union, 1221 East Broad Street, P.O. Box 1110, Columbus, Ohio, U.S.A. 43216 (telephone: 614/258-9545, and from Rev. James Heron, Area II General Secretary, %Baptist Manse, 34 Charles Street, Pittenweem, Fife, Scotland KY10 1Q4.

¶ Finally, we call upon Endeavorers everywhere and their friends of all lands, all tongues, all races, and all evangelical churches to unite with us in prayer for the success of this world gathering.

*Jim Murdoch*  
President  
World's Christian Endeavor Union

*David G. Jackson*  
General Secretary  
World's Christian Endeavor

*James Heron*  
Area II General Secretary  
World's Christian Endeavor

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"FOR CHRIST AND THE CHURCH"





# **Christian Endeavor's International Fellowship Tour to the ORIENT and the 20th World's Christian Endeavor Convention**

Wednesday, July 30, will be a great day for 56 Endeavorers from North America when they leave on the Orient Tour sponsored by the International Society, with Rev. David G. Jackson as Tour Director, assisted by Earl and Patty Todt of Columbus, Ohio.

Tour party members will leave from either New York City or Los Angeles and meet on Thursday at Tokyo, Japan. In addition to city sightseeing (the Imperial Palace, the Meiji Shrine of the Shinto religion, the colorful Nakamise Arcade, and the Asakusa Kannon Temple) the group will have the opportunity to visit with Tokyo Christians at the Sangenjaya Church. On Saturday the group will go to Nikko and on Sunday the famous Bullet Train at 125 miles-per-hour will whisk the tourists to beautiful Kyoto.

Monday, August 4, will include visits to the Nara National Museum and to Todaiji Temple in Nara Park

which houses the largest statue of Buddha in the world.

On Tuesday the group will journey to Seoul, Korea, for the World's Convention. Seven of the party will head home at the end of the convention.

Leaving Seoul Sunday morning, August 10, for Pusan, Korea's second largest city, the tour party will travel the entire length of the Republic of Korea. A service with Korean Endeavorers is scheduled at Pusan on Sunday evening.

A special trip to Kyongju, capital of the Silla Kingdom which unified Korea for the first time 1,300 years ago, is scheduled Monday. Kyongju is a museum without walls. Back to Pusan, which is a major seaport and industrial area, the group has time for city sightseeing before leaving for Taipei on Tuesday.

In Taiwan, the Republic of China, the tour will have the opportunity to visit sights with local Christian En-

deavorers before leaving August 14 for Hong Kong. Here twelve of the party will remain for several days sightseeing before returning home and the remaining group of 37 will fly to Beijing on Saturday for a week in the People's Republic of China.

After a full day's tour to the Great Wall (it's 3,750 miles long, took hundreds of years to complete, and it is estimated 300,000 workers are buried within its walls) other local sights to be visited are the Imperial Palace, Tiananmen Square, the Mao Zedong Memorial Hall, the Summer Palace, and Kungming Lake, before taking off for Xian, China's capital for 11 dynasties. Here the most spectacular archeological find of the 1970s, the Qin Shi Huang Di Tomb, yields 6,400 life-sized terra-cotta warriors and horses guarding the entrance of this Second Century B.C. emperor's tomb. Two days in Hong Kong will complete this exciting tour of the Orient.



The new Sangenjaya Church in Tokyo, Japan, where Rev. Takashi Oku is the pastor, was dedicated in July 1985. Mr. Oku is the President of the Japan Christian Endeavor Union and is also a Vice-President of the World's Union. Members of the International Society's Orient Tour Party will visit the church for a reception and refreshments.





# 1881-1986 — 105th Anniversary

The Junior and Senior Societies of Mokuaukaia Church, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, took part in the morning worship. Of the 18 participating, some were greeters, ushers, led in prayer, and Bernie Delatorre, Young People's Society President, led the congregation in a responsive reading.

February 5 the Junior Endeavorers invited those who have not been attending to come to a party. Four of the 11-year-olds told what Christian Endeavor is and what the society does. Michael Beatty, youth worker, reports this has paid off in increased attendance.

The Senior Society of Bethel United Presbyterian Church, Salineville, Ohio, held "Youth Sunday" on February 2 with members conducting the entire morning worship service, including the sermons. A covered dish dinner followed morning worship. Also the group had a birthday banquet on February 1 with 70 present. Lisa J. Wilson is President.

The "Sonshine Express" society of North Holland Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan, sponsored an All Church Family Mystery Supper followed by an Old-Fashioned Hymnsing on February 14, with 103 present. The group made centerpieces, menus, etc., and also each said a few verses of the poem "Hugs" and hugged each other and asked the audience to do the same. Sponsors Marie Niehuis and Marie Bosman reported: "We had a wonderful fellowship together and sang praises to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

At the January 26 morning worship at St. Stephen A.M.E. Zion Church, Maysville, North Carolina, the pastor recognized Christian Endeavor and as a celebration starter the Varick Christian Endeavor De-

partment gave a tribute to the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Participants were Freddie L. Smith, Jr., Angeline Boone, and Cenus L. Smith. At the birthday banquet January 30, which 35 attended, the program centered on what is Christian Endeavor and why the Week is celebrated. Thirty members signed the Pledge and new officers were elected, according to Counselor Lillie B. Smith.

The Youth Society members were in charge of the Wednesday evening prayer meeting January 29 at Meadville United Brethren in Christ Church, Meadville, Pennsylvania, reports Mrs. Arthur Flick, sponsor. They also had a service at a rest home Friday evening followed by a birthday party, and took charge of the Sunday evening worship on February 2.

Junior Endeavorers of the Rexmont Evangelical Congregational Church, Rexmont, Pennsylvania, used the Junior Resource Packet materials to present Christian Endeavor at the morning worship. Mrs. Harry Sechrist, Jr., is sponsor.

## Virginia Activities

Virginia Endeavorers marked the 105th Birthday of Christian Endeavor in several areas of the state.

January 25 the Shenandoah Valley Union had a birthday banquet at Massanutten Presbyterian Church. Burton Lange was MC. State President Cindy Carroll directed a skit, "A Year In Virginia Christian Endeavor," which reviewed month-by-month what happens in the union. The devotional speaker was Pat Booker, Administrative Secretary of the Virginia Union, whose topic emphasized the Pledge. The 75 present ended the evening by enjoying a huge birthday cake.

February 1 was the date for a covered dish dinner at Melrose Christian Church for Roanoke Endeavorers. Frankie Green, President of the Roanoke Union, presided and Endeavorers from each society presented special entertainment. Guest speaker was David Anderson from Total Life Counseling.

Those in the Disputanta-Petersburg-Prince George-Richmond area also enjoyed a covered dish banquet February 1. Society reports were given and a birthday cake was provided by Mrs. Phyllis Doyle. The feature attraction was a message in song by "Mixed Company," 14 youths from Hopewell High School. Lincoln Stephenson gave a closing meditation on the theme, "Trusting Christ...I Promise."

At Bethlehem Congregational Church, Disputanta, Virginia, the Senior High Endeavorers were in charge of the morning worship February 2. They were assisted by the Juniors who read Scriptures and sang the Pledge. Sponsor is Mrs. Raymond Rusnak.

February 7-8 was the time for the second annual "lock in" sponsored by Massanutten Presbyterian Youth Group. The forty who attended arrived at the church at 9 p.m. Friday and stayed until 8 a.m. Saturday. Activities included volleyball and basketball, consumption of snack food and soft drinks, making future plans for the group, and trying to stay awake! Karen Landes is society reporter.

The Endeavorers of First United Brethren in Christ Church, Clarksburg, West Virginia, used the "Super Centennial Social" plans for a party February 22 when 40 attended. They also had an autograph scavenger hunt to get acquainted because they have 25 new members, according to



# Christian Endeavor

Sandra Firth, Program Director. The drama of Christian Endeavor Year introduction was used so new members could learn more about Christian Endeavor. The party featured two cakes—a traditional birthday cake and a motto cake.

Endeavorers of New Cumberland, West Virginia, had an old-fashioned Christian Endeavor meeting and evening service Sunday, February 2. They decorated the fellowship hall to represent the parsonage of Francis E. Clark back in 1881 in Portland, Maine; they wore old-fashioned costumes, used candles and lanterns for lighting, and sang songs written prior to 1881. Hot chocolate and chocolate chip cookies were the refresh-

ments. Four adults spoke on "Youth Need to Be Involved in the Church." The commitment was explained and 40 signed the Pledge.

A spaghetti birthday dinner at Martinsburg, West Virginia, featured films from the 1951 state convention parade.

Ohio Valley Endeavorers joined at Bethel Presbyterian Church, Salineville, Ohio, for a Tri-State Rally bringing together societies from Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Speaker was Frank Dawson, with the program conducted by Bethel youth. First Christian Church of Wellsville, Ohio, had the highest number in attendance.

Mercer County (Pennsylvania) selected the entry of Maysville Community Church Senior High group for top honors in its annual Christian Endeavor Week display contest. The society erected a large outdoor poster with the theme "Trusting Christ...I Promise," a picture of Christ, and a large C.E. emblem on Pennsylvania Route #358. Unity Presbyterian took second place and Jackson Center Presbyterian, third.

## MEXICO CITY CELEBRATES

Endeavorers of the Union de Sociedades de Esfuerzo Cristiano del Distrito Federal (the Mexico City Christian Endeavor Union) celebrated Christian Endeavor Week February 2-8 and urged every society to have special services and activities. According to Pablo Vasquez, the President, the union stressed the importance of having topics about Christian Endeavor from Sunday through Friday, such as the beginning of the movement, the purpose, the principles, the Pledge, etc., to let members become committed to working for Christ and the Church and to let members of their congregations know what Christian Endeavor is all about.

On Saturday, February 8, a service and party were held for the whole union at Cuernavaca, Morelos, one hour's drive from Mexico City. There were about 350 in attendance. Pablo Vasquez reports that during the service and the party there was joy, singing, and great fellowship.

At the Iglesia Nacional Presbiteriana Filadelfia in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, 200 persons participated in Christian Endeavor Week activities. Jaime Vazquez, President of the Christian Educational Department of the church, reports, "The second day of February we had a special service where the three societies, including the Junior, Middle, and Young Society, participated with different special acts. The Christian Endeavor goal was emphasized and transmitted to the whole church in order to feel their support and also explain to them our principles and vote. A world historical review was read and the meaning of the symbol was explained. Also every person who participated in the special service received a distinctive." The "distinctive" was a special Christian Endeavor bookmark.

There was also a special service on February 5 and on February 8 when the Mexico City Union came to the church to celebrate the week.

### PRINCIPIOS DEL ESFUERZO CRISTIANO

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# Spotlighting: Your International Society Executive Committee

**Jack Rothenberger** currently is serving his second term as president of the International Society. He also serves as senior pastor of the Central Schwenkfelder Church in Worcester, Pennsylvania. Dr. Rothenberger received his B.S. degree from Juniata College; his M. Div. from Hartford Theological Seminary; S.T.M. from Temple University; and, D. Min. from Lancaster Theological Seminary. He is former Headmaster, chaplain, teacher, and coach at the Perkiomen School; pastor of the Lansdale Schwenkfelder Church; associate pastor of Palm Schwenkfelder Church; and has served in a number of capacities in Christian Endeavor in his home state of Pennsylvania, including Pastor Counselor, Camp Dean, Bible Study Teacher and Speaker. He is the editor of *The Schwenkfeldian Magazine* and has authored two books: *Casper Schwenkfeld and the Ecumenical Ideal* and *Erkenntnis Christi: A Model for Adult Schwenkfeldian Education*. He and his wife, Jean, have two children, Susan and Bruce.

**Thomas Jameson**, the associate president of the International Society, is a member of the Woodstock Reformed Church. He is a graduate of Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pennsylvania, with a B.S. in Music Education. Tom has served as president of the Christian Endeavor society in his local church, associate president of the New York State Christian Endeavor Union, and youth delegate from his state to both International and World Christian Endeavor Conventions. He served as co-chairman of the 1986 New York State Christian Endeavor Convention and is serving his second year as Senior Camp Program Director for the New York State Summer Assembly. Tom currently is youth director at the Woodstock Reformed Church and previously traveled in a sum-

mer outreach musical ministry with a group known as APOSTLE. Tom also is a member of the Local and International Program Committees for the 1987 International Convention in Buffalo, New York.

**Kathryn Gould**, vice-president of the International Society, and her husband, David, are from Port Colborne, Ontario, Canada. She is employed as secretary to the Director of the Mental Health Clinic of Welland Hospital, Welland, Ontario. Kathryn who has held many offices in Christian Endeavor currently is the President of the Canadian Christian Endeavor Union. She also has served as President of the Ontario Society of Christian Endeavor and held various offices on the local, provincial, and national level. She is a member of Knox Presbyterian Church in Welland where she is an ordained ruling elder. She also sings in the local church choir, has taught in the Sunday School, chaired the Christian Education Committee, and directed the Junior Choir of the church. Kathryn currently is enrolled in a Pastoral Care Training Course preparing for service in the field of Christian Education. She also is serving as Chairman of the Program Committee for the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

**Kent Maxwell**, senior pastor of College Park United Brethren Church in Huntington, Indiana, is serving his second term as a Vice-President of the International Society. Kent is a graduate of Huntington College with a Bachelor of Arts degree; Huntington College Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree; and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School where he received his Doctor of Ministries degree. He is a former President of the Indiana Christian Endeavor Union and member of the Educational Committee of the International Society. He has held several

positions in the United Brethren denomination including Chairmanship of the General Board of Church Services. Formerly he served as Assistant Professor of Christian Ministries at Winebrenner Theological Seminary in Findlay, Ohio, and Pastor of the Crestview United Brethren Church in Lafayette, Indiana. Kent was the Program Chairman for the 58th International Christian Endeavor Convention in Holland, Michigan. He and his wife, Carol, have two children, Kim and Shawn.

**Lavern Billig**, immediate past president of the International Society, is from Greenville, Pennsylvania. He and his wife Lucille have one daughter, Marjorie. Lavern recently retired as a city mail carrier for the United States Post Office in Greenville. He is a member of the Maysville Community Church in Greenville where he has served for a number of years as teacher of the Senior High Sunday School class. Lavern has served in many capacities in Christian Endeavor including President, Treasurer, and Finance Committee Chairman of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union, Vice-President in charge of the Middle Atlantic Region of the International Society and numerous other responsibilities on the county and local levels. He currently serves as a member of the Finance Committee of the International Society and member of the Board of Trustees of the World's Christian Endeavor Union. Lavern also is chairman of the Time and Place Committee for the 21st World's Convention in 1990.

**Larry Clark**, a systems engineer with Chemical Abstracts Service in Columbus, Ohio, is serving his first term as a member of the Executive Committee. Larry is a former president of the Ohio Christian Endeavor Union and the Franklin County Christian Endeavor Union.



He has served in various other capacities in the Ohio Union including Finance Chairman, Stewardship Chairman, member of the Board of Trustees and Audio-Visual Department Superintendent. Larry attended Ohio State University and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Franklin University. He is a member of the St. Paul A.M.E. Zion Church in Columbus where he serves on the Steward Board, the Commission on Christian Education and as a Church School teacher. He also has served as local church Christian Endeavor advisor and society officer.

**Margaret Clarkson** currently is serving as a member of both the Executive and Finance Committees of the International Society. She is Treasurer of the Canadian Christian Endeavor Union and has served as president of both the Canadian Union and the Ontario Society of Christian Endeavor. Margaret is a member of the Program Committee of the 20th World's Christian Endeavor Convention in Seoul, Korea. She is employed as secretary and personnel department officer of Wilkinson and Kompass Limited, in Hamilton, Ontario. Margaret is a member of St. Andrew's-St. David's-St. John's Presbyterian Church in Hamilton where she has served as church treasurer, member of the Local Board, Sunday School teacher, Christian Endeavor leader, member of the church choir and the Women's Missionary Society. She also has been pianist for several of these organizations.

**Frank Darling, Sr.**, is president and field secretary of the New York State Christian Endeavor Union. Originally from Boston, Massachusetts, he and his wife Laurel currently reside in Orchard Park, New York. Frank has held various offices in the New York State Christian Endeavor Union including vice-president and member of the Board of

Trustees. He has been actively involved as teacher and Junior Director of the New York State Summer Assembly Program. Frank formerly served as Sunday School Superintendent at the First Church of Evans in Derby, New York, and was a missionary to American Indians in Western New York on the Cattaraugus Reservation. He has received a diploma in painting and layout design and has attended the Buffalo Bible Institute and Wagner Art School. Frank is the Arrangements Sub-committee Chairman for the 59th International Convention in Buffalo in 1987.

**Oreon Fields** is serving his second term as chairman of the Finance Committee of the International Society. He is employed as supervisor of salary payroll at Weirton Steel, Weirton, West Virginia. Oreon is a graduate of Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration. He has held a number of positions in the West Virginia Christian Endeavor Union including that of President, Publicity Superintendent and Recreation Superintendent. Currently he is serving as editor of the *West Virginia Endeavorer*. Oreon and his wife Gay have two children, Jerry and Julie, and are members of the New Cumberland Christian Church where Oreon serves as an elder in the local congregation. Past responsibilities include Bible School teacher, deacon, Bible School Superintendent and High School Christian Endeavor Sponsor.

**Alice Goodman** is a Laboratory Specialist in the Cardiovascular Division of the Department of Medicine, Medical College of Virginia Hospital of Virginia Commonwealth University. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry from the University of Richmond. Alice has served as President of the Virginia Christian Endeavor Union, Southern Region President, Vice-President of the In-

ternational Society for the Southern Region and Virginia State Convention Chairman on several occasions. She is a member of Ginter Park Presbyterian Church in Richmond where she has been a Sunday School Teacher, Choir member, and member of the Women of the Church Circle. She has served for a number of years as Christian Endeavor sponsor in her local church and as pianist for several church organizations.

**Nathaniel Jarrett, Jr.**, is pastor of Martin Temple A.M.E. Zion Church in Chicago, Illinois. He also serves as Director of Youth Ministries of the African Methodist Episcopal Denomination. Nate received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Education degrees from Wayne State University; his Master of Divinity degree from Yale Divinity School; and the Doctor of Ministries Degree from Chicago Theological Seminary. He and his wife Estella are the parents of three children. Nate has served as a vice-president of the International Society of Christian Endeavor and a member of the program committee for several International Conventions. He also has been a featured speaker at various Christian Endeavor conferences including the Second Century Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1982. He received the Protestant Fellow Award from the Rockefeller Foundation in 1967 and the Richard Allen Achievement Award in 1970.

**Ernest Overkamp**, vice-president of the International Society, is owner of Holland Stitchcraft, Inc., which specializes in styling and developing designs and production patterns for R.V., truck and boat seats. Ernie has served in various capacities in the Michigan Christian Endeavor Union holding the office of President and also serving as a member of the State Adult-Advisory Council. He was chairman of the Local Convention Committee

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# CENTURY CLUB

The *Century Club*, started in 1980, consists of persons who contribute \$100 or more annually to the ministry of the International Society of Christian Endeavor. (These are gifts received and recorded through our regular channels of giving such as membership, direct gift, and memorial contributions.)

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## Bits and Pieces

### Personalities

**Timothy and Lavonne Kribs** moved from Gladstone, Oregon, to Texas in March to become the pastors of First Christian Church, Harlingen, Texas. Tim is a past President of the International Society.

**Tom Martin**, President of the Ohio Union, and Patty Brown were united in marriage June 13. They are making their home at Frankfort, near Chillicothe.

**Cindy Carroll**, Virginia State President, is now **Mrs. Kevin Johnson**. The marriage took place April 26 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, where they now are living.

**Mrs. Barbara Cole** is the new Office Secretary for the Texas Union, following the resignation of Mrs. Carolyn Saucier as Administrative Secretary. Mrs. Cole is a former President of Dallas District Union.

**Rev. Larry Burke** of New York State, his wife Marcy, and their three children are in Costa Rica where they are attending language school; in August 1986 they begin a three-year term of mission work in LaCeiba, Honduras, under the Wesleyan Church. Larry was ordained in 1977 from First Church of Evans in Derby and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burke.

The Western Pennsylvania Reunion Dinner March 22 at West Middlesex brought together 91 persons from seven counties: Erie, Mercer, Butler, Beaver, Allegheny, Fayette, and Washington. Speaker was Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, World's Union past President, with

B. McClain Cochran, former Pennsylvania Field Secretary, as song leader.

The Berks County (Pennsylvania) Reunion Dinner April 11 featured Rev. Charles W. Barner, former International Society and World's Union General Secretary, as special guest along with Jeff Peiffer, current state Field Secretary.

Chester County (Pennsylvania) held a great Winter Retreat February 7-9 at Pinebrook. There were 358 teens and adults from 12 churches attending. Theme was "Tame the Flame" (James 3). The weekend was full of exciting events, from Bible studies to Town Hall, from morning and evening devotions to concerts and volleyball; speaker was Rev. Brooke Solberg of Millersburg.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, held a Winter Weekend at Westminster Highlands February 14-16 with Tom Jameson of Woodstock, New York, International Society Associate President, as special guest. Mercer County also held a very successful Junior CE Day April 19 at Cool Spring Presbyterian Church. Over 100 Juniors plus 40 leaders were present. Dave Tomson was Chairman for the day. The county union has also produced commercials promoting Christian Endeavor for a local station. Randall Ackerman, state Vice-President, used his creative talents to help in the production.

Central Ohio Endeavorers held an overnight rally at Circleville YMCA with 86 registered February

7. Largest delegation was from First United Methodist Church of Chillicothe. State President Tom Martin was one of the leaders. The program included fun and games, plus serious discussion and interdenominational fellowship.

Dates for this year's Southern Region Christian Endeavor Conference at Montreat, North Carolina, are October 31-November 2.

The Adult Christian Endeavor Society at Kaunakapili Church of Honolulu, Hawaii, was reorganized in March 1986. Maile K. Montervon is the president and Rev. David Twigg is pastor.

For its Centennial celebration in 1987, the Pennsylvania Union is offering CE Loyalty Bonds. For a one-time gift of \$100 a specifically designed Loyalty Bond will be presented to the giver. Each bond has a design emphasizing one of the four Christian Endeavor principles. Anyone purchasing all four bonds will receive a Centennial commemorative gift.

The Worcester (Massachusetts) Christian Endeavor Fellowship met at Sutton July 17, 1985, with Rev. and Mrs. James Murdoch and Larry Deal as special guests. This group held a luncheon November 14 in the Auburn Mall with a slide and music show, "America the Beautiful," presented by Joe Robinson, the group's secretary.





## Big Doings in Texas

Texas Governor Mark White issued an official Christian Endeavor Week proclamation to start off the Texas celebration. Two district banquets were held February 1: Dallas District at Urbandale Christian Church, Dallas, and Valley District at First Christian Church, Harlingen.

Dallas District's banquet featured "CElebration 105," contemporary music woven into the basic principles with testimonies by youth. The program was in three sections - "YESTERDAY—HAPPY C.E. 'DAZE,'" and TOMORROW with TODAY being the "CElebration 105" segment. There were about 160 present for the program planned by Jesse Gardner and his committee. Robert Cloud and Don Cole were co-toastmasters.

The theme of "Trusting...I Promise" was presented by three age groups at the Rio Grande Valley event. Vicki Vochatzer was toastmistress and LaNell Witcher, banquet chairman.

The San Jacinto District Banquet February 8 was at Paul's Union Church in LaMarque. Sam Guerrero Toy, President of the Mexican National Union, was toastmaster. The "CElebration 105" presentation was included and some of those participating remained in Houston for the February 9 morning worship at Second Christian Church.

### Pennsylvania Society Honors Hilda Thomas

At Westmoor Church of Christ, Kingston, Pennsylvania, Endeavorers took part in the morning worship February 2 with Rev. Frank Schock, Pennsylvania Union leader, speaking. Mrs. Hilda Thomas was honored for her many years of service. A covered dish dinner followed. In the afternoon the youth had a Bible Bowl.

## SOCIETY ROLL CALL

Societies and unions which have become members of the International Society of Christian Endeavor through financial support of \$25 or more in 1985 are listed here. Each of these groups has received an enrollment certificate. Those groups which have contributed \$100 or more have received a gold seal certificate.

Groups are arranged alphabetically by state and province.

### GOLD SEAL

Argo Presbyterian Church, Trussville, Alabama  
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 Adult Christian Endeavor, First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Washington, D.C.  
 Golden Rule Christian Endeavor Union, Washington, D.C.  
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 Union Church of Brimfield, Brimfield, Illinois  
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 Maryland Christian Endeavor Alumni  
 Massachusetts Christian Endeavor Union  
 Ferndale Christian Church, Ferndale, Michigan  
 First Reformed Church of Grandville, Grandville, Michigan  
 Harlem Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan  
 First Reformed Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan  
 St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Missouri  
 New Jersey Christian Endeavor Union  
 New York State Christian Endeavor Union  
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 North Carolina Christian Endeavor Union  
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 First United Brethren in Christ Church, Columbus, Ohio  
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 Adult Christian Endeavour, New Dundee United Brethren in Christ Church, New Dundee, Ontario  
 Adult Christian Endeavour, Grace United Brethren in Christ Church, Sherkston, Ontario  
 Gladstone Christian Church, Gladstone, Oregon  
 Chester County (Pennsylvania) Christian Endeavor Union  
 Lehigh Valley (Pennsylvania) Christian Endeavor Union  
 Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union  
 St. John's Presbyterian Church, Devon, Pennsylvania  
 Maysville Christian Endeavor, Greenville, Pennsylvania  
 Westmoor Church of Christ, Kingston, Pennsylvania  
 First Evangelical Congregational Church, Palmyra, Pennsylvania  
 Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
 First Presbyterian Church of Olney, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
 Olivet-Covenant Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
 Parsons Primitive Methodist Church, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania  
 Central Schwenkfelder Church, Worcester, Pennsylvania  
 Junior Christian Endeavor, Central Schwenkfelder Church, Worcester, Pennsylvania  
 Southern Region Christian Endeavor  
 Texas Christian Endeavor Union  
 Bruton Road Christian Church, Dallas, Texas  
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 Westminster Presbyterian Church in America, Roanoke, Virginia  
 Washington State Christian Endeavor Union  
 First Reformed Church, Yakima, Washington  
 West Virginia Christian Endeavor Union  
 Christian Church of New Cumberland, New Cumberland, West Virginia



## HONOR GROUPS

Rancho Cordova Nazarene Church, Citrus Heights, California  
Youth Encounter Christian Endeavor, First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Washington, D.C.  
Senior Christian Endeavor, Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.  
Adult Christian Endeavor, Third Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.  
Young People's Christian Endeavor, Mokuiaiku Congregational Church, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii  
Alumni Council of Christian Endeavor, Chicago, Illinois  
Varick Christian Endeavor, Lomax Temple A.M.E. Zion Church, Detroit, Michigan  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Lansing, Michigan  
Adult Christian Endeavor, Trinity United Church of Christ, St. Louis, Missouri  
Christian Youth Fellowship, Pilgrim Congregational Church, Billings, Montana  
Junior Hi Christian Endeavor, First Presbyterian Church, Lakewood, New Jersey  
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Westchester (New York) Christian Endeavor Alumni  
First Church of Evans, Derby, New York  
Senior Christian Endeavor, Community Church of Little Neck, Great Neck, New York  
The Salvation Army, Syracuse, New York  
Westport Federated Church, Westport, New York  
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Department of Church School Literature, A.M.E. Zion Church, Charlotte, North Carolina  
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Columbus (Ohio) Area Adult Christian Endeavor Fellowship  
West Second Avenue Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Ohio  
Senior Christian Endeavor League, Oak Street United Methodist Church, Dayton, Ohio  
Christian Endeavor, Mt. Hermon United Brethren in Christ Church, Pomeroy, Ohio  
Hamilton (Ontario) Christian Endeavour Fellowship  
Lambton County (Ontario) Christian Endeavour Fellowship  
Stevensville United Brethren in Christ Church, Stevensville, Ontario  
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Grace Evangelical Congregational Church, Akron, Pennsylvania  
Youth Fellowship, Blakely Primitive Methodist Church, Blakely, Pennsylvania  
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Unity Presbyterian Church, Mercer, Pennsylvania  
Zion Alumni Christian Endeavor, Olivet-Covenant Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Junior Christian Endeavor, Rexmont Evangelical Congregational Church, Rexmont, Pennsylvania  
Faith United Presbyterian Church, Sharpsville, Pennsylvania  
Senior High Christian Endeavor, Central Schwenkfelder Church, Worcester, Pennsylvania  
Dallas (Texas) District Christian Endeavor  
Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church, Dallas, Texas  
Roanoke (Virginia) Christian Endeavor Union  
Massanutten Presbyterian Youth, Massanutten Presbyterian Church, Penn Laird, Virginia  
Valley View Wesleyan Youth, Valley View Wesleyan Church, Roanoke, Virginia  
Junior High-Senior High Christian Endeavor, Westminster Presbyterian Church in America, Roanoke, Virginia  
Westminster Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Everett, Washington  
Christian Endeavor, Elm Grove Christian Church, Wheeling, West Virginia  
Pulaski Christian Endeavor, Pulaski Presbyterian Church, Highland, Wisconsin

## Thank You, Lord

—Gladys Bismore

I am sitting in morning worship, so sleepy I wonder why I even bothered to come. Our family worked late last evening, taking in-

ventory at a local department store. This was just one of many fund-raising activities we have had to raise money to help our youth

group attend summer leadership conference, convention, etc. Is it really worth it?

My husband and I give up so much sometimes to try to keep up with the responsibilities of being a sponsor. Only yesterday we wanted to go golfing with friends, but had to refuse—youth group activity. Last week—we really wanted to accept the dinner invitation from other friends but, again, youth group activity. All the long hours of working in the kitchen on dinners, all of the hours given for a meeting where only the faithful few came. I have to go back several years to remember a vacation where it didn't have something to do with a youth group activity.

And the discouragement! It seems we can't do anything right, according to the parents. There isn't a time of the week pleasing to the parents for a meeting or activity. Either we plan to many activities or too few. Either we are too involved in spiritual growth and don't allow for enough time for fun or we are too frivolous. Oh, Lord, do You really need us for this work? Maybe it's time for us to resign as sponsors. You must have other work we can do for You.

"Come on, Gladys. Get your mind on the service—You're here to worship—not complain!" Amy, our newest member in C.E. and church, is standing up. She is a joy ...so bright and eager. Oh, Lord, she's publicly telling this whole congregation, mostly strangers to her, that she accepted Christ at Conference last week. I don't believe how brave she is! She's so new as a Christian and already growing so much, so fast. Oh, Lord, I love her so much. Thank You for sending her to us. We needed that encouragement but You knew that, of course. Thank You, Lord, for giving us this opportunity to be a part of Your work. Thank You, Lord, for allowing us to witness Your greatness.



## SPOTLIGHTING

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for the 58th International Christian Endeavor Convention in Holland, Michigan, in 1985. Ernie is a member of the Harlem Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan, where he has held a number of positions including, Sunday School Superintendent and teacher; Christian Endeavor Sponsor of the Junior High, Senior High, and Post Hi groups; chairman of the church building committee and membership on the Board of Deacons. He and his wife Ann are the parents of two children, Dawn and Duane.

**Dewan Perry** is a graduate of the University of Texas in Arlington and a member of the Smith Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church in Dallas. He is a past president of the Dallas District Christian Endeavor Union, past president of his local Christian Endeavor Society, and a member of the Extension Committee of the Texas Christian Endeavor Union. Dewan has served in a number of capacities in his local church including a member of the church choir, church usher, past president of the Young People's Department, Sunday School Superintendent and

representative to the State Denominational Convocation. He is a member of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity. Dewan has attended several International Christian Endeavor Conventions and has served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the International Society.

**Alfred Saunders**, currently serving his first term as a member of the Executive Committee, is field secretary for the Golden Rule Christian Endeavor Union. Al is retired from the United States Postal Service after many years as a postal clerk in the city post office. He has held many Christian Endeavor offices, including those of President and Treasurer of the Golden Rule Union, Vice-President of the Middle Atlantic Region of the International Society, President of the Adult Society and High School Sponsor in his local church. He and his wife Vivian are parents of two children, Vinette and Michele. Al is a member of the First Baptist Church of Georgetown where he is chairman of the Board of Deacons and Sunday School teacher. He also has served on the Church Trustee Board and Finance Committee

Superintendent. Al attended Howard University and has been active in many local and community activities.

**Roger Vander Kolk** is pastor of Haven Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan, after previously serving a pastorate at Laketon Bethel Reformed Church and as associate pastor at First Reformed Church in Kalamazoo. He has been a vice-president of the International Society and chairman and member of the Educational Committee. Roger was program chairman for the 53rd International Convention held in Portland, Oregon, in 1975. He has served as president of the Michigan Christian Endeavor Union and as a member of the Advisory Council. Roger received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Hope College and his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Western Theological Seminary. He has been very active in his denomination including President, Particular Synod of Michigan and Zeeland Classis representative on the General Program Council of the Reformed Church of America. Roger and his wife Joan are the parents of two children, Martha and Bruce.

## Living Memorials

Living memorials offer an opportunity to express love and appreciation for lives of departed friends or loved ones. It also is a means of showing tribute to them while making an investment in the lives of young people today.

Through the gift of memorials to Christian Endeavor, you continue support for a movement that has meant much to an individual during his lifetime. In lieu of sending flowers why not take the opportunity to make a living memorial to Christian Endeavor as a tribute to one who

has finished his course and entered into the rest of the Lord.

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# The President's Corner

by Jack R. Rothenberger

Christianity is much more than philosophy, theology, or religious teaching. It is a life style based upon a vital relationship with God.

Last year at the Southern Region Christian Endeavor Conference held at Montreat, North Carolina, I had the privilege of teaching from the Epistle of James. In preparation for those sessions I was reminded that James is really a first century sermon giving practical guidance for those who deeply desire to know how to follow Jesus as Lord day-by-day.

Because the Christian Endeavor movement is a means of practical training in Christian living and Christian leadership, I would recommend that we carefully and prayerfully study the letter of James.

The sermon of James deals with how to live an active and vital Christian lifestyle in every situation. At the heart of James' message is the truth that it is not enough for us merely to believe...we must also do what we say we believe. This truth can help us put flesh and blood into our biennial theme: "TRUSTING CHRIST...I PROMISE..."

The sermon of James contains five chapters each of which deals with "How to live with faith" in specific circumstances; i.e., Faith and Trials, Faith and Works, Faith and Wisdom, Faith and Humility, and Faith and Reality.

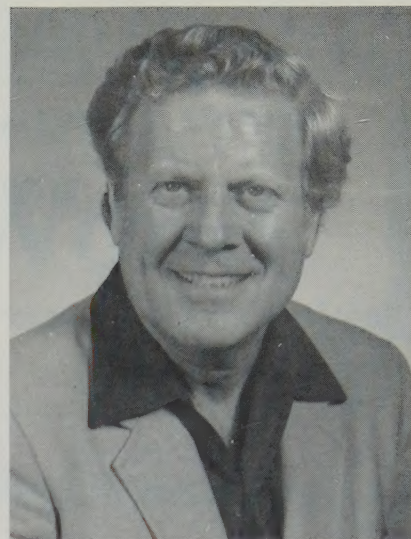
In trying to live by our biennial theme we will run into a certain number of trials and temptations. James gives us practical principles regarding how to profit from them. These principles are as relevant for us today as they were for the believers in the early church.

In chapter one, verse two James tells us to consider it pure joy whenever we face trials. We can do this because our faith in the Living Christ gives a deep, inner, complete joy that nothing can destroy. The Apostle Paul gave us the basis for this joy in I Corinthians 10:13. "No trial has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the trial will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

James also says the trials in our Christian pilgrimage develop perseverance (1:13). James refers to practical result of facing trials with joyful faith that is centered in the Living Christ. The result of such trials is the virtue of patience and perseverance. As we put our faith to work, our trials and temptations cause our faith to grow. We learn to trust God more and self less.

James tells us that the greatest result of putting faith to work in every situation of life is eternal life. "Blessed is the man who endures temptation, for when he has been proved, he will receive the Crown of Life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him." (1:12)

The Christians of James' day faced a problem which many of us are facing today. In simple terms many Christians were "coasting" in their commitment of following Jesus Christ as Lord. They were practicing what Dietrich Bonhoeffer called "cheap grace." They believed incorrectly that Christian faith is merely a matter of "profession" and not "possession." In brief they "talked" about Christian discipleship, but didn't "live" it.



In all the Bible faith is an action verb. It is expressed in terms of works of the spirit such as love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22,23)

The bottom line of James' teaching in his sermon is this: "Faith without works is dead!" (2:17,20,26). Too often we have mouthed the correct confessions and mastered the orthodox theology but our faith has been dead. The biennial theme, the Christian Endeavor Pledge, the four principles, and the motto are all great. They express the heart of what Christian faith is all about. But unless we do what we say we promise and believe, it accomplishes nothing. Jesus quoted from Isaiah 29:13 when he said in Matthew 15:8, "These people draw near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me."

Christian Endeavorers, we must move from deadness to living faith. We must follow the Living Christ with active obedience. That is what it means to live by faith or to make your faith work! Only when we have a living faith can we fulfill the word of our Lord when He said: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).



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